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1. The reply filed on September 12, 2002 in Paper No. 17 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): A protein sequence appears in Figure 4 which is not identified by an appropriate sequence identifier in the Brief Description of the Figures. Also, new drawings have not been submitted as required in the previous office action. Article 27 of the PCT rules has been cited to attest to the position that the drawings do not need to be amended. The section cited refers to the international application, and does not apply to the national stage of the application. Drawings must be amended to conform to the US rules set forth in the MPEP, section 608.02(c) in all US applications to permit proper processing of the drawings at the time of publication of a patent application. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the

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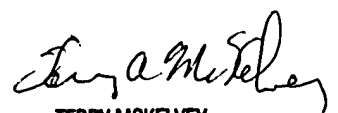
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above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

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